

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of

Silvo ZUPANCIC et al.

Serial No.: 10/583,439

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For: Processes for Preparing Venlafaxine and Venlafaxine  
Hydrochloride of Form I

Examiner: Sikarl Witherspoon  
Group Art: 1621

**Mail Stop Amendment**  
Commissioner for Patents  
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**AMENDMENT**

SIR:

**PETITION**

Applicant(s) hereby petition(s) for a three-month extension of the original shortened statutory response period set in the Office Action of July 10, 2008. A check in the amount of \$1110 in payment of the government fee for a three-month extension of time is enclosed herewith so that the period for response is extended to January 10, 2009. Any additional fees or charges required at this time in connection with the present application may be charged to our Patent and Trademark Office Deposit Account No. 03-2412.

**RESPONSE**

In response to the Office Action dated July 10, 2008, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.